

**CITY OF GAHANNA
LANDSCAPE BOARD
MINUTES – March 3, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER:

Melissa Hyde, Chair, called the Landscape Board meeting to order on Wednesday, March 3, 2010, at 6:05 p.m. at Gahanna City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

<u>Present:</u>	Jane Allinder
	Mark DiGiando
	Melissa Hyde
	Frank O'Hare
	Ken Shepherd

In attendance from the City Administration was Tony Collins, Director, and Troy Euton, Deputy Director, Department of Parks & Recreation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

O'Hare made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes from the January 6, 2010 Organizational meeting and the January 6, 2010 Regular meeting; seconded by Allinder. **On roll call vote:** O'Hare, Yes, Hyde, Yes, Shepherd, Yes, Allinder, Yes, and DiGiando, Yes. **The motion carried 5 – 0**

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Add: Old Business – Ordinance 913 and 914 update

Remove: New Business – Street trees

HEARING OF VISITORS

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinance 913 and 914

Collins explained that staff has been working on ordinances 913 and 914.

Ordinance 913 was originally for the protection of trees and enforcement of landscape plans in new developments. The requirement is in code but there was no enforcement or follow up with the developers after the plans were approved and a lot of the plans were not implemented as passed. Staff was not notified once a project was completed and would find street trees in the wrong location and too close to sidewalks or drives. Part of the new 913 addresses review and enforcement.

The Zoning Administrator, Clerk of Council, Service Director, and Tony met to resolve ordinance 914, a new tree protection ordinance. The purpose and intent of Ordinance 914 is the environmental and aesthetic benefits of trees. The Department of Parks & Recreation looks at environmental protection, connectivity and park access.

Collins would like the Board to take the proposed ordinance home for review and bring back for discussion at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Landscape Awards

The Landscape Board had some discussion regarding the Landscape Awards and whether to move forward with the awards. There has not been much interest in the awards in the past.

After some discussion the Board decided not to move forward with the awards this year.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

None

POLL MEMBERS FOR COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

O'Hare made a **MOTION** to adjourn; seconded by Allinder. Motion carried unanimously.

The Landscape Board meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm

Submitted by,

Pam Crossmock, Administrative Assistant

Approved this _____ day of _____ 2010

Melissa Hyde, Chair